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WAGON LOADING SYSTEM
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Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) the details about the existing wagon loading system in various ancillary units of Coal India Limited;

(b) whether the said system is useful in view of the existing requirements;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether several coal handling plants of ancillary units of Coal India Limited are not functioning since their construction; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and the quantum of loss suffered plant-wise and ancillary unit-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COAL (SHRI KARIYA MUNDA)

(a): Multiple means of wagon loading are in operation in subsidiaries of CIL depending largely on infrastructure available with the subsidiaries, types of wagons being supplied by railways and type of coal to be consigned. Subsidiary-wise types of wagon loading system are as under:-

Subsidiary Means of Loading
ECL Manual Payloader Coal Handling Plants
BCCL Manual Payloader Coal Handling Plants
CCL Manual Payloader Coal Handling Plants
NCL - - Coal Handling Plants
WCL - Payloader Coal Handling Plants
SECL - Payloader Coal Handling Plants
MCL - Payloader Coal Handling Plants
NEC Manual - -

(b)&(c): System developed on the basis of requirements are found to be useful. However, system of manual loading in most of the cases is found to be more expensive as well as time consuming and the same is being phased out gradually to the extent possible.

Subsidiary-wise details of sidings and means of wagon loading for these sidings are given below:-

Subsidiary No. of Sidings MEANS OF WAGON LOADING

Manual Payloader CHP/SILO MIXED
ECL 33 2 18 5 8 (Manual & Mech)
BCCL 47 5 28 14 -
CCL 24 1 10 12 1(Manual / Mech)
NCL 8 - - 8 -
WCL 21 - 13 5 3 MECH/CHP
SECL 29 - 10 18 1 (MECH/CHP)
MCL 18 - 15 3 -
NEC 2 2 - - -

(d)&(e): The following coal handling plants of the subsidiaries of CIL remained unutilized/not worked since their commissioning:

Subsidiary Coal handling plant Main reasons
BCCL Katri CHP Due to closure of siding

Bera CHP Closure of linked OCP

Nichitpur CHP Closure of OCP
SECL Small plant at Pali Non-operation of own wagons of Sanjay Gandhi TPS of MPSEB

The expenditure for these coal handling plants were:

BCCL: Katri CHP Rs. 95.53 lakhs
Bera CHP Rs.145.11 lakhs
Nichitpur CHP Rs. 99.00 lakhs

SECL: Small CHP at Pali Rs. 336 lakhs

There are seven other major CHPs awarded from 1981 to 1987 in ECL which could not be completed due to litigation/obstruction by villagers on environmental issue/change of scope. These are:

Sl.No.Name of CHP Expenditure (Rs. in Lakhs)
1 Demomain 505.00

2. Ratibati 344.21

3. Satgram 19.60

4. Jhanjra 24.91

5. Mugma 435.82
6. J.K. Nagar 328.37

7 Bankola 754.41
Total 2412.32

In the case of BCCL, the following CHPs could not be completed and commissioned:

Expenditure incurred
Goluckdih CHP - Rs.94.63 lakhs
Kusunda CHP - Rs.71.05 lakhs

Futher, two major Coal Handling Plants (CHPs)of Chinakuri and Amritnagar and 2 mini CHPsof Eastern Coalfields Limited (ECL) are not in operation at present due to change of scope/economic consideration. Coal from these CHPs is diverted and despatched through other CHPs maintaining the overall despatch of coal.

In Bharat Coking Coal Limited (BCCL)four more CHPs viz Keshalpur, Tetulmari, North Amlabad & Katras worked after commissioning but are not in operation now. Their plant and machineries have since been shifted to other areas for gainful re-utilisation. The CHP at Jhunkunder is temporarily not functioning as the linked mine is closed. Out of 32 mini CHPs in BCCL, one each CHP atKustore Area and Bhowara Area is temporarily idle as coal is being directly transported to connected washeries due to techno-economical reasons.